Blackburn with Darwen ADULT LEARNING

Year 3 English Milestones

Reading
- Use knowledge to read 'exception' words
- Read range of fiction & non-fiction
- Use dictionaries to check meaning
- Prepare poems & plays to perform
- Check own understanding of reading
- Draw inferences and make predictions
- Retrieve and record information from non-fiction books
- Discuss reading with others

Writing
- Use prefixes and suffixes in spelling
- Use dictionary to confirm spellings
- Write simple dictated sentences
- Use handwriting joins appropriately
- Plan to write based on familiar forms
- Rehearse sentences orally for writing
- Use varied rich vocabulary
- Create simple settings and plot
- Assess effectiveness of own and others writing

Grammar
- Use a range of conjunctions
- Use perfect tense
- Use a range of nouns and pronouns
- Use time connectives
- Introduce speech punctuation
- Know language of clauses

Speaking and Listening
- Give structured descriptions
- Participate in an activity in conversation
- Consider and evaluate different viewpoints

Year 4 English Milestones

Reading
- Secure decoding of unfamiliar words
- Read for a range of purposes
- Retell some stories orally
- Discuss words & phrases that capture the imagination
- Identify themes and conventions
- Retrieve and record information
- Make inferences and justify predictions
- Recognise a variety of forms of poetry
- Identify and summarise ideas

Writing
- Correctly spell common homophones
- Increase regularity of handwriting
- Plan writing based on familiar forms
- Organise writing into paragraphs
- Use simple organisational devices
- Proof-read for spelling & punctuation errors
- Evaluate own and other's writing
- Read own writing aloud

Grammar
- Use wider range of conjunctions
- Use perfect tense appropriately
- Select pronouns & nouns for clarity
- Use & punctuate direct speech
- Use commas after front adverbials

Speaking and Listening
- Articulate and justify opinions
- Speak audibly in standard English
- Gain, maintain and monitor interest of listeners